This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

- 1. (Original) Process for the preparation of mono(fluoroalkyl)- or bis(fluoroalkyl)phosphoric acid, mono(fluoroalkyl) or bis(fluoroalkyl) phosphates and the corresponding phosphoranes thereof, comprising at least the reaction of a bis(fluoroalkyl)phosphinic acid or a (fluoroalkyl)phosphonic acid or a corresponding derivative or salt of these acids with anhydrous hydrogen fluoride.
- 2. (Original) Process according to Claim 1, characterised in that use is made of a bis(fluoroalkyl)phosphinic acid or a corresponding derivative in which the two fluoroalkyl groups are identical or different.
- 3. (Currently Amended) Process according to Claim 1 or 2, characterised in that use is made of a bis(perfluoroalkyl)phosphinic acid or a (perfluoroalkyl)phosphonic acid or a corresponding derivative of these acids in which the perfluoroalkyl groups contain 1 to 20 C atoms and are straight-chain or branched.
- 4. (Currently Amended) Process according to <u>claim 1</u> one or more of <u>Claims 1</u> to 3, characterised in that the derivative of bis(fluoroalkyl)phosphinic acid or (fluoroalkyl)phosphonic acid employed is the salt with a mono-, di- or trivalent metal cation.
- 5. (Original) Process according to Claim 4, characterised in that the mono-, di- or trivalent metal cation is selected from the group Li<sup>+</sup>, Na<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Ba<sup>2+</sup>, Zn<sup>2+</sup>, Cu<sup>2+</sup> or Al<sup>3+</sup>.

- 6. (Currently Amended) Process according to claim 1 one or more of Claims 1 to 3, characterised in that the derivative of bis(fluoroalkyl)phosphinic acid or (fluoroalkyl)phosphonic acid employed is the salt with a mono- or divalent organic cation.
- 7. (Original) Process according to Claim 6, characterised in that the mono- or divalent organic cation is selected from the group tetraalkylammonium, tetraalkylphosphonium, triarylalkylphosphonium, guanidinium, pyrrolidinium, pyridinium, imidazolium, piperazinium or hexamethylenediammonium.
- 8. (Currently Amended) Process according to claim 1 one of Claims 1 to 3, characterised in that the derivative of bis(fluoroalkyl)phosphinic acid or (fluoroalkyl)phosphonic acid employed is an ester of bis(fluoroalkyl)phosphinic acid or (fluoroalkyl)phosphonic acid.
- 9. (Currently Amended) Process according to <u>claim 1</u> one or more of <u>Claims 1</u> to 3, characterised in that the derivative of bis(fluoroalkyl)phosphinic acid or (fluoroalkyl)phosphonic acid employed is the salt with a polycation.
- 10. (Original) Process according to Claim 9, characterised in that the polycation is selected from the group of polyammonium cations.
- 11. (Currently Amended) Process according to <u>claim 1</u> one or more of <u>Claims 1 to 10</u>, characterised in that the reaction is carried out in a polar solvent or without a solvent.
- 12. (Currently Amended) Process according to <u>claim 1</u> one or more of <u>Claims 1 to 11</u>, characterised in that the reaction is carried out at a temperature of -20°C to 100°C.

- 13. (Currently Amended) Process according to <u>claim 1</u> one or more of <u>Claims 1 to 12</u>, characterised in that the reaction is carried out with 4- to 100-fold the molar amount of hydrogen fluoride.
- 14. (Currently Amended) Process for the preparation of phosphoranes according to <u>claim 1</u> one or more of <u>Claims 1 to 13</u>, characterised in that the mono- or bis(fluoroalkyl) phosphate formed after the reaction with hydrogen fluoride is reacted with a strong electrophilic reagent or a strong Lewis acid.
- 15. (Original) Process according to Claim 14, characterised in that the reaction is carried out with an electrophilic reagent or a Lewis acid selected from the group (CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>SiCl, SO<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, SbF<sub>5</sub>, AlCl<sub>3</sub>, VF<sub>5</sub>, SbCl<sub>5</sub>, NbF<sub>5</sub>, AsF<sub>5</sub>, BiF<sub>5</sub>, AlF<sub>3</sub> and TaF<sub>5</sub>.